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Applicant(s): Masahiko IGAKI, et al.

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For: REFLECTION SCALE AND DISPLACEMENT MEASUREMENT APPARATUS  
USING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter this Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being submitted concurrently herewith.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.